



State of Wisconsin  
2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



LRB-1525/P1

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**PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

\*\*\* ANALYSIS FROM -0830/P6 \*\*\*

**COURTS AND PROCEDURE**

**CIRCUIT COURTS**

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**\*\*\* ANALYSIS FROM -0239/P2 \*\*\***

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

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**JUSTICE**

Under current law, the OJA (within DOA) provides, in each fiscal year, a \$20,000 grant to 14 child advocacy centers within the state for education, training, medical advice, and quality assurance. This bill reduces that amount to \$17,000 in each fiscal year.

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For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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